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CAST OF MICE AND MEN

## CALENDAR

### SATURDAY, DECEMBER 5

Senior Orals in French.  
11.15—Football Game between the Odd and the Even Classes.

### SUNDAY, DECEMBER 6

6 P. M.—Vespers. Leader, C. Stephens, '17.  
8 P. M.—Chapel. Sermon by the Rev. Johnston Ross.

### WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 9

7.30 P. M.—Bible Class. The Rev. C. Deems.  
9.30 P. M.—Mid-week Meeting of the Christian Association. Leader, M. Bacon, '18.

### SATURDAY, DECEMBER 12

Senior Orals in German  
Senior Reception to the Graduate Students.

### SUNDAY, DECEMBER 13

6 P. M.—Vespers. Leader, K. Blodgett, '17.  
8 P. M.—Chapel. Sermon by Dr. C. Richmond.

## MICE AND MEN

### Sophomore Play a Great Success

Mark Embury ..... Helen M. Harris  
Roger Goodlake ..... Eleanor M. Jencks  
Captain George Lovell.... Constance Hall  
Sir Harry Trimblestone. Monica B. O'Shea  
Kit Barniger ..... Ruth Levy  
Peter ..... Bertha C. Greenough  
Joanna Goodlake ..... Thelma Smith  
Mrs. Deboah ..... Dorothy Shipley  
PEGGY ..... Lucia Chase  
Matron ..... Mildred Foster  
Beadle ..... Rachel Taylor  
Molly ..... Florence E. Iddings  
"Mice and Men," given by the Sopho-

mores to the Freshmen on November 21st, was received with hearty applause by a most enthusiastic audience. Congratulations are due Constance Hall as stage manager and as the dashing young lover. Everyone agreed with Peggy when she said, "Your clothes are beautiful—and so are you." The rôle of Peggy was faultlessly, exquisitely portrayed by Lucia Chase. Her ease and grace of action, her delicately modulated voice, and natural sweetness of manner charmed the audience. Helen Harris, in the difficult rôle of Mark Embury, won sympathy immediately by her earnest, direct delivery and tender but restrained emotion. Her actions were few, but very effective. This was shown particularly in the end of Act IV, where Mark Embury enters, hears the singing of the two lovers and exits, without a line to say. The last part of Act III afforded Lucia Chase and Helen Harris their greatest opportunity for acting. They were successful in reaching the highest point in the play. The orphan scene likewise seemed particularly finished with the excellently characterized matron and beadle. The production seemed uneven in that it had these well-finished scenes on the one hand and on the other scenes that dragged, due mostly to slowness in picking up cues and in entrances. Eleanor Jencks, as Roger Goodlake, kept the audience laughing with her spirited impersonation. Her facial expression was excellent. The part of Joanna Goodlake was acted to perfection at first, but fell short somewhat in the emotional scene. Sir Harry Trimble-

stone held the audience every moment he was on the stage. The rôle might well have been overdone by one less artistic than Monica O'Shea.

The costuming, music, dancing and scenery were carefully and successfully accomplished. In fact, the committee who chose "Mice and Men" are to be complimented on having selected a play that surmounted the difficulties of production in the Gymnasium and of one which offered parts so well suited to the actors in the class.

## PRIVATE LAW

### A New Course Offered

President Thomas has given her approval to a proposal made by Doctor Fenwick to offer a course on Private Law during the second semester. The object of the course will be to make the student familiar with the fundamental principles and technical terms of the more important branches of Private Law. To the extent to which time permits the subjects covered will be as follows: Real and Personal Property, including the various titles to property, trusts, mortgages, wills and deeds; Contracts; Torts; Crimes; Persons and Personal Relations, including Corporations; and the chief forms of Procedure at Civil Law. Each lecture will be followed by a discussion of one or more of the important judicial decisions bearing upon the subject. Collateral reading will consist chiefly in supplementing the lecture by further study of the court cases in

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The Sophomore play was a godsend to the College. It awoke us from the worries of orals and work, from arguments over cut rules and pink tea quizzes and animosities over hockey matches. It was a good time enjoyed by all together. The play itself was of a healthy melodramatic sort and was carried through by the good teamwork of 1917 and by individual talent. It was not ambitious, but it was successful. Although a more literary play might have been better for the caste, the type of play which it was, within the scope of the actors and the facilities of the gymnasium was the best kind for the audience. We were particularly ready to greet the play with open arms because last year, with *My Day* there were no class plays. Perhaps we scarcely realized then the sacrifices we were making in giving up the greatest pleasures of the year, and we only know now "how stale, flat and unprofitable," from the point of view of jollifications, was the first semester of last year. We believe every student in College is looking forward to March and May with the other three plays.

Europe is entangled in war—humanity is suffering. We luckier sisters begin to devise ways of helping. The Red Cross asks for articles, so we knit, knit, knit, and our things are sent to England, France, Germany, Belgium—in short, wherever they will be needed in Europe. And, meantime, what is happening at home? Prices go up, men and women lose their positions. Winter is here, and many are without shelter, food and clothing. Do we not owe something to these poor people in our own country? Many of us forget that the war is causing poverty here as well as in Europe. There are many in Europe to knit for their own soldiers, to collect clothing for their needy, and they are doing it. Should we be so preoccupied with the hugeness of the new misery in Europe that we forget the need among our own people—a need we have felt in past years and which exists to an even greater extent this winter?

## CORRESPONDENCE COLUMN

(The Editors do not hold themselves responsible for the opinions expressed in this column.)

Dear Editors:

In answer to "An Inquirer" I wish to explain "The Morning Watch." Every Sunday schedules of Bible readings are given to those who wish them. These suggest a general subject for thought during the week and short readings with subjects for prayer and thought for each day. By preparing these in turn we can perhaps share helpful ideas with each other, by thinking along the same line we can be somewhat united in Christian endeavor.  
E. D., '17.

Dear Editors:

Work in hand, we were just emerging from the dining room after three-quarters of an hour of stratified egotism and altruism, represented respectively by eating and knitting. Suddenly we were startled by the unusual clang of the fire gong. "A fire drill! O bother!" We strolled on to our rooms, leisurely procured towels and coats, and returned, chatting merrily, to the front hall. On the way we passed those unfortunate beings known as "drafts and warnings" who, dwelling nearer the rendezvous, had arrived early and were now scattering to route out such as were still in their rooms, overcome by smoke . . . or sleep. A general "Shh-h-h" prevailed in the hall but did not avail to stop the cheerful conversation. The roll was called and five minutes after the first sound of the gong, we were once more on the way to our rooms, thinking what a wise provision it was to have fire drills, so that in case of a real fire the building might be quickly emptied.

But to be serious. It seems to me that there is a grave defect in the plan of the drill. It is highly probable that, if there were a real fire, some part of the building would be cut off before girls could reach the front hall and return again on "drafts and warnings." How then may this be avoided? Very simply. In the first place let each girl close her own windows, door and transoms, and turn on her own lights. It will take each individual but a few seconds, whereas if one person must see to a dozen rooms, as under the present system, minutes will be consumed. Then let a first lieutenant be appointed for each eight to ten girls. She is then responsible for the rooms occupied by these girls. If a girl is out or has not left her room in the required condition, the lieutenant closes the windows and so forth. She sees that all under her charge are out of their

rooms, and then, under her direction, the girls proceed to the front hall. When all are gathered there, all that is necessary is to verify the work of the lieutenants by a rapid roll call, and then the building can be left at once. The roll call itself can be hastened if each girl is given a number and then, number one beginning gives it in order as soon as all are assembled.

This is the method in use in Wellesley College and has been tested by a fire, when over two hundred students and faculty left a five-story building in absolute order, and after three roll calls in less than five minutes. Fire drills held in College Hall when classes were in session, and from eight to fourteen hundred people were scattered over the five floors of this eighth-mile long building, emptied the hall, without using the outside fire escapes, in from four to five minutes, while dormitories housing fifty to sixty students were emptied in forty-five seconds or less. Let's be more serious and practical with our fire drills here and make them really worth while.

RUTH PENSINS

## LOST

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## THE SUN-THIEF AND OTHER POEMS

By Rhys Carpenter

The Oxford University Press is announcing a book of poems by Mr. Rhys Carpenter, called "The Sun-Thief and Other Poems." The following is an extract from a review in the "Scotsman" for August 1, 1914: "The chief piece in the book, the poetic play, 'The Sun-Thief,' is a choral drama like the old Greek tragedies, which tells over again with fine lyric force the story of Prometheus and his martyrdom by the old gods for bringing down fire from Heaven. In this, as, indeed, throughout the book, the singer's inspiration is new and full of life; and while the formal qualities of his work attest a scholar well versed in the best traditions of English poetry, the old Greek youthfulness in looking at the world triumphs always at last over the sadder and more wistful impulses of feeling, born of modern weariness, that peep out as the strong and sweetly-moving lines go on. The volume will be read with a hearty interest by studious lovers of poetry."

## VARSITY VS. ALL-PHILADELPHIA, 3-3

For a second time Varsity has tied All-Philadelphia. In the last and best game of the year our forward line swept through Philadelphia's splendid defence for three goals. They, too, scored three goals against us, but they won theirs by brilliant individual playing, while ours, we feel, were more the result of teamwork. Hard and faithful practice has told. Our forward line was literally "geo-metri-cally straight," and the ball was passed from player to player, back and forth, across and across with care and certainty. After all it is team-work that counts most of all. H. Alexander, for instance, won her place not only because of her speed and good stick work, but also because of her ability to lead the forward line and play well with the others. The halfbacks worked steadily and well with the forwards. H. Harris in particular distinguished herself by her good playing. And in the backfield the fullbacks did their share not only in getting the ball from All-Philadelphia, but in sending it back to the forwards. Several times when the struggle grew lively around the goal, A. Werner succeeded in stopping difficult shots.

## CAMPUS NOTES

President Thomas, speaking in Chapel Monday, said that at the request of the faculty, the office has taken over the system of giving and proctoring quizzes and examinations. This is done not because confidence in the students has been lost, but as an attempt to conduct examinations in a correct and systematic way. It is to be hoped that it will have the good effect of clarifying the questions and of obviating the unfair advantage which is given the students who ask questions of the professors. President Thomas will be glad to hear any objections after the system has been given a fair trial, perhaps after mid-years.

Among the interesting new books in the New Book Room are: "The Anti-Trust Act and the Supreme Court," by William H. Taft; "The United States and Peace," by William H. Taft; "The Younger Generation," by Ellen Key; "Mrs. Pankhurst's Own Story," by E. Pankhurst; "Why We Are at War: Great Britain's Case," by members of the Oxford faculty of Modern History.

Dr. Chew will be the third person in the French Oral on December 5th.

Miss Stewart, the Dean of the University of Montana, spoke in Chapel on November 23d on the trying position of women in the modern world.

Eleanor Dougherty will dance in "Sketches in a New Art," in the Gymnasium, January 15th, for the benefit of the Belgians in Belgium. Admission, 50 cents.

## HOCKEY CHAMPIONSHIP GOES TO SOPHOMORES

Won by 1917—Score, 1-0

For the second time in the history of hockey a Sophomore banner hangs outside the Gymnasium. Hockey was started at Bryn Mawr in the fall of 1901, but the burning of the sticks in the Denbigh fire put an abrupt end to that first season. The next year, when the interclass matches were held, the red banner of the Sophomores was the first hockey banner to go out, for 1905 won the championship. Senior year having held it for three years, they presented the Athletic Association with the hockey cup. Since 1905 the championship has been held by Seniors, except in the case of 1910 and of 1914, both of whom won. It Junior and Senior years.

## ON THE TRAIL OF THE LUMBER JACK

Rev. F. E. Higgins, the "Sky Pilot of the Lumber Jacks," preached on the subject, "On the Trail of the Lumber Jack in the Parish of the Pines." For nineteen years Mr. Higgins has been working in the lumber camps of Minnesota. He told us that from his boyhood he had intended to be a preacher, and he began his work by preaching to a field of stumps—"some of the most powerful sermons those stumps ever heard." Mr. Higgins told us of the work in the lumber camps—how two men go out together with a saw, and in one day cut several thousand feet of timber; how they build roads of ice through the forest, and how they draw on these roads as much as twenty thousand feet of timber with one team of horses, when each thousand feet weighs over two tons. Mr. Higgins then told of the organization of the camp, and finally he told stories of his work with individual men—how he had learned not to try to interrupt men in the course of a fight; how "Joe" had hated him and tried to break up his meetings until he saw Mr. Higgins play the part of a "good Samaritan" to a man found unconscious between cakes of ice; and how "Balky Tom" had loved him, and while he was dying had asked Mr. Higgins to continue the work and do for others what he had done for him.

## ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION

Athletic Board. Managers of teams and members of Varsity committees will hereafter be required to have their merits.

Varsity Hockey. The team chosen by the Varsity Committee as the final Varsity team is as follows: L. Brown, '17 r. w.; G. Emery, '15 r. l.; H. Alexander,

'18 c. f.; F. Kellogg, '16 l. l.; M. Morgan, '15 l. w.; V. Litchfield, '17 r. h.; M. Branson, '16 c. h.; H. Harris, '17 l. h.; J. Pauling, '17 r. f.; M. Thompson, '17 l. f.; A. Werner, '16 g. The first subs are: M. Willard, '17; E. Downs, '18; E. Pugh, '15; F. Curtin, '17.

Varsity started out this year with only three of last year's Varsity at College. The way in which the new material has been worked up into a first-rate team is very commendable. Two games have been lost, three tied, one won. This does not come up to the record of former Varsities and seemed very discouraging at first, but the team deserves the credit of having steadily improved throughout the season. In the last two games, especially, the players showed that they were made of the same stuff as the old teams, and have done better than most Varsities in tying All-Philadelphia.

M. Branson has been elected Varsity captain for next year.

Interclass Hockey. Throughout the exciting series of interclass games, 1917 has shown its skillful playing and splendid teamwork, and has finally proved its superiority in winning the first team hockey championship. The second team championship was won by 1917 and the third team championship by 1918. The scores are as follows:

## First Team Finals—1915 vs. 1917

November 16. Won by 1915, 3-1.  
November 18. Won by 1917, 4-1.  
November 23. Won by 1917, 1-0.

## Second Team Finals—1915 vs. 1917

November 13. Won by 1917, 2-1.  
November 23. Tie, 1-1.  
November 19. Won by 1917, 3-0.

## Third Team Finals—1915 vs. 1918

November 20. Won by 1918, 3-0.

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point. The course will be two hours a week and will be open to all those who have completed at least one year's work in the required studies of English or Philosophy, and either History or Economics and Politics.

The need of such a course as this is obvious. Questions of law in one form or another face us at every turn in life. Under what conditions is a contract binding? What are the requisites for a valid will? When does a right to obtain damages arise in case of an injury, etc.,—are points which we may often desire to know without being obliged in every instance to call upon a lawyer. Of course it is not to be expected that in the short period of one semester a thorough knowledge of the law can be obtained; but it is quite within reach to obtain a clear conception of fundamental principles and of the lines along which a more detailed study of the law may be carried out.



## CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION

"Morning Watch" schedules may be obtained from A. Grabau, '16, or E. Dulles, '17.

The daily prayer meeting of the Christian Association is held in the Christian Association Library at 8.30 a. m. Every one is invited to attend.

A mid-week prayer circle will be held Tuesday evenings at 9.30 p. m., in Radnor No. 20, for Radnor, Merion and Denbigh; in Rockefeller No. 2, for Rockefeller, and Pembroke East and West.

Graduate Representative.—The graduate Bible class in the Prophets will meet Sunday, at 9.30 a. m., in Pembroke East No. 66; the New Testament class will meet in Denbigh.

Bible Study Committee.—On November 18, Mr. Deems, of the Seaman's Institute, N. Y., gave the first of his lectures on the Bible in Social Work. He began by explaining that the Bible is needed for the social worker, rather than for social work. He considered the Bible as a text-book to which all social workers must go if they would have the first and most necessary qualifications for their work,—leadership. For in it one can read and study about the lives of men who have been leaders,—not only in their nation, but in the world.

In the next lecture he will speak about the sort of inspiration the social worker can get from the Bible. If anyone has any suggestions to offer or questions to ask on the subject, Mr. Deems will be glad to try to incorporate them into his next talk, or to answer them. If they are handed to Buckner Kirk, '16, she will forward them to him.

Mission Study Committee.—Committee meeting in the Christian Association Library, December 3, at 5.45 p. m. Business—to plan for second semester classes.

Finance Committee.—Budget-pledge cards are being distributed. They are also being sent to the Alumnae with the President's report of 1913-1914.

Maid's Classes Committee.—The maid's Sunday School classes will begin next Sunday, December 6th.

## \$90.17 FOR THE RED CROSS

The Red Cross Committee has \$90.17 on hand after paying all bills up to date. During the last week 90 cents has been collected from the "piggie" in Radnor, \$1.06 from Merion, 48 cents from Denbigh, \$1.05 from Pembroke West, and 91 cents from Rockefeller. The committee would like all the sewing and knitting which has been distributed to be handed in on December 18.

## ALUMNAE NOTES

H. Kempton, '05, has been appointed to the secretaryship of the Charity Organization Society of New Bedford, Mass. Miss Kempton has for some years been connected with the Associated Charities of Boston.

"Then and Now: Social Results of the Churches' Work," by M. J. Hobart, 1911, has just been published by the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society. The book is an excellent vindication of the vexed question, "Are Foreign Missions Worth While?" Every student of religious and social problems will do well to read this book and cannot fail to be helped by it.

It is with deep regret that we announce the death of Louise Bolton-Smith, ex-1914, on November 15th.

M. B. Alden, '12, is engaged to the Rev. Edwin Selden Lane, of Chestnut Hill.

M. Fleisher, '14, is engaged to Mr. James Wolff.

M. Mellen, '13, has announced her engagement to Mr. Bradley Dewey, of Pittsburgh. We hear that Miss Mellen won the position of literary editor on the "Continent," a Chicago paper, after one month's work.

## FOOTBALL GAME

The football game between the odd and even classes will begin at 11.15 this Saturday. The teams have been practicing well and the game will be hard fought. It will be played according to the regular rules and will be refereed by a man from Philadelphia. Everyone who has not made the squad should support her team by cheering. The faculty is especially invited. Tickets will be sold in the halls and at the game. Ten cents admission will be charged, for the benefit of the Settlement Committee.

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